

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA**

SCOTT T. BALLOCK

Case No.: 1:17-CV-52

Plaintiff,

v.

JURY TRIAL REQUESTED

**ELLEN RUTH COSTLOW,
STATE TROOPER MICHAEL KIEF,
STATE TROOPER RONNIE M. GASKINS,
and
STATE TROOPER CHRIS BERRY,**

Defendants.

EXHIBIT NUMBER 4

Sgt. Kief's email of August 22, 2013 to Capt. Merrill, requesting authority to investigate Scott Ballock, cited in footnote 10.

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From: "Klef Michael A"
<michael.a.klef@wvsp.gov>
To: "Merrill James H"
<james.h.merrill@wvsp.gov>
Cc: "Gaskins Ronnie M"
<ronnie.m.gaskins@wvsp.gov>
Date: 08/22/2013 02:28 PM
Request to open investigation,
Subject: *Expunged*,
Supervisory Special Agent, FBI,
CJIS

Captain-

Upon meeting with Ellen Ballock, estranged wife of: *Expunged*, who is a Supervisory Special Agent in charge at CJIS, she feels she has a criminal complaint against him under WV Code 61-2-9a for harassment causing emotional distress. I also did speak with Matt Stout an associate with Ms. Ballocks attorney, Amber Sellaro. Mr. Stout has in excess of 1600 emails and 20,000 text messages from *Exp.* to Ms. Ballock. Some of these communications are alleged to be

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harrassing in nature. It is my opinion that a criminal investigation be initiated and the emails and text messages be viewed for content. I also request the investigation be conducted by Corporal R. M. Gaskins.

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